UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: October 27, 1966

FROM : F. J. Baumgardner

1 - Mr. DeLoach
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SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.
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[redacted] prepared concerning Martin Luther King. It is based entirely on public source information and we are recommending that it be referred to the Crime Records Division with the idea that it can be given to a friendly newspaper contact such as David Lawrence, who is Editor of the U. S. News and World Report.

The article was prepared because the cry of "black power" is a most timely issue in the country today. This issue has split the civil rights movement and has caused civil rights leaders to take sides for and against "black power." However, Martin Luther King has been attempting to straddle the issue, based on advice given him by his advisors with communist backgrounds. The attached article indicts King for his failure to take a stand on the issue and at the same time exposes the degree of communist influence on him.

It is felt the public should again be reminded of this communist influence on King, and the current controversy among civil rights leaders makes this timely to do so.

The attached article has been prepared with no letterhead relating it to the FBI and is on unwatermarked bond paper.

RECOMMENDATION:

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That this memorandum and the attached article be referred to the Crime Records Division for appropriate handling.

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